

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2426

December 17, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Increases the maximum income for disabled homeowners to qualify for property tax relief to equal the maximum income for elderly low-income homeowners for tax year 2008 and all subsequent tax years.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$278,000
Increase Local Govt. Expenditures –
Exceeds \$100,000/Permissive


Assumptions:

- According to the Comptroller, the ceiling for elderly taxpayers for tax year 2008 will be \$24,790. The same ceiling would apply to disabled taxpayers. Under current law, the ceiling for disabled taxpayers is projected to be \$21,510 for tax year 2008.
- According to the Comptroller, an additional 1,402 disabled taxpayers would qualify for payment due to increasing the income ceiling. The payment to each taxpayer for tax year 2008 is estimated to be \$198.26. The total state cost in tax year 2008 will be \$278,000 (1,402 x \$198.26 = \$277,961).
- The bill does not increase the amount paid per taxpayer.
- Some counties and cities also provide property tax relief tied to the state program. These local programs are permissive and it is not possible to estimate accurately how many local governments would expand their programs beyond an estimated permissive increase exceeding \$100,000.

CERTIFICATION:

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This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

James W. White, Executive Director

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